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Reinhard Joho et al
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed August 14, 2000, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue in favor of a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on February 15, 2000 in the parent application is not refundable nor can it be applied towards any new Notice of Allowance which may issue on the CPA filed August 14, 2000.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-8859.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2800 for processing of the CPA.

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